

Managing Blackbirds, Starlings, and Corvids Conference
Millennium Maxwell House Hotel
Nashville, Tennessee
January 29-30, 2008

Monday, January 28

Registration

4:00 – 7:00pm

Promenade Ballroom

Tuesday, January 29

Registration

7:00 – 8:00am

Promenade Ballroom

Welcome

Grand Ballroom West

8:00 – 8:15am

Ben West, Moderator

8:15 – 8:30am

Ken Givens, Commissioner, Tennessee Department of Agriculture

8:30 – 8:40am

Bruce Knight, Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory
Programs, U.S. Department of Agriculture

8:40 – 8:55am

Roger Johnson, President, National Association of State
Departments of Agriculture

8:55 – 9:15am

Bill Clay, Deputy Administrator, USDA/APHIS/Wildlife Services

9:15 – 9:30am

Kevin Kritz, Assistant Nongame Migratory Bird Coordinator,
USFWS

Research Presentations on Species Biology

Grand Ballroom West

9:30 – 9:45am

Blackbirds — Dr. William Bleier, North Dakota State University

9:45 – 10:00am

Crows and Ravens — Dr. Margaret Brittingham, Penn State
University

10:00 – 10:15am

Starlings — Dr. Paul Cabe, Washington and Lee University

10:15 – 10:30am

Disease — Dr. Alan Franklin, USDA/APHIS/WS/NWRC

10:30 – 10:45am

BREAK

Open Session to visit Display Booths

Grand Ballroom Central

10:45am – 12:15pm

- Urban Roosts
- Airports
- Agricultural Crops
- Feedlots and Dairies
- Public Outreach
- National Environmental Policy Act

12:15 – 1:15pm

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1:15 – 1:30pm Facilitator review of morning sessions

Stakeholder Presentations

Grand Ballroom West

1:30 – 1:45pm **Sunflowers** — Dan Wiltse, National Sunflower Association

1:45 – 2:00pm **Rice** — Dr. Steve Linscombe, LSU Rice Research Station

2:00 – 2:15pm **Fruit Orchards** — Erin Lizotte, Northwest Mich. Horticultural
Res. Station

2:15 – 2:30pm **Health Departments** — Dr. John Dunn,
Tennessee Department of Health

2:30 – 2:45pm **Airports** — Walter White, Memphis International Airport

2:45 – 3:15pm BREAK

3:15 – 3:30pm **Dairies** — Matthew Steiner, Dairy Farmer

3:30 – 3:45pm **Feedlots** — Jeff Winegarner, Texas Cattle Feeders Association

3:45 – 4:00pm **Municipalities** — Kevin Merritt, First Bank of Omaha

4:00 – 4:30pm Overview of Wednesday's Focus Groups

5:30pm Reception Crown Ballroom

6:30pm Banquet Crown Ballroom

Wednesday, January 30

Focus Groups Rooms TBA

8:00 – 9:30am Focus Group Discussions (West/Keirn/Tegt)

- Feedlot/Dairy
- Airport/Urban
- Agriculture

9:30 – 10:00am BREAK

10:00 – 11:30am Focus Group Discussions (West/Keirn/Tegt)

Closing

11:30 – 12:00am Meeting Review and Closing Remarks



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